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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS A. S. P., HELD IN THE
ROOMS OF THE SOCIETY, MARCH 28, 1891, FROM 7:30 TO 8 P. M.

A quorum was present. The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Mr. H. F. NEWALL, Observatory, Cambridge, England, Mr. J. C. CEBRIAN
and Dr. J. CALLANDREAU of San Francisco were duly elected life members.

The following active members were duly elected:

MEMBERS ELECTED MARCH 28, 1891.

Prof. IRA W. ALLEN,	2251 Calumet Ave., Chicago, Ill.
F. S. ARCHENHOLD,	Gesellschaft Urania, Berlin, Germany.
CHARLES T. BLAKE,	Berkeley, Cal.
ANSON STILES BLAKE,	Berkeley, Cal.
CALIFORNIA CAMERA CLUB,	819 Market Street, S. F., Cal.
FRANCIS G. DU PONT,	Wilmington, Delaware.
S. WILSON FISHER,	1502 Pine Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Mrs. SARAH B. GAMBLE,	1222 Pine Street, S. F., Cal.
Miss ESTELLA L. GUPPY,	San José, Cal.
WM. STURTEVANT HARLOW,	Oakland, Cal.
Prof. MELLE W. HASKELL,	University of California, Berkeley.
L. J. HOLTON,	1207 Seventeenth St., Alameda, Cal.
T. C. JOHNSTON,	27 Market Street, S. F., Cal.
C. B. KENDALL,	137 Montgomery St., S. F., Cal.
CAMILO MARTIN,	411½ California Street, S. F., Cal.
LEWIS A. PAGIN,	122 S. Market Street, Chicago, Ill.
OLIVER E. PAGIN,	{ Room 40, U. S. Custom House, Chicago, Ill.
Miss ELIZABETH H. PEARSON,	219 Savin Hill Avenue, Boston, Mass.
ARCHER B. PIERCE,	University of California, Berkeley.
The Earl of ROSSE,	Birr Castle, Parsonstown, Ireland.
A. L. SMITH,	23 Washington Street, Chicago, Ill.
HARRY W. SYZ,	410 California Street, S. F. Cal.
JOSEPH B. WALKER,	Geological Survey, Austin, Texas.

The Resignation of F. G. BLINN was received and accepted.

The following action of the Directors in conjunction with Hon. JOSEPH A.
DONOHUE was ordered to be printed:

AMENDED REGULATIONS FOR THE BESTOWAL OF THE COMET MEDAL.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 26, 1891.

The Committee on the Comet-medal having recommended certain changes
in the rules relating to its bestowal, and the founder of the medal having signified
in writing his consent to these changes, we the undersigned members of the
Board of Directors A. S. P. hereby vote for the acceptance of the rules as changed
and as written below.

WILLIAM ALVORD; CHAS. BURCKHALTER; C. M. GRANT; C. B. HILL;
EDWARD S. HOLDEN; E. J. MOLERA; W. M. PIERSON; J. M. SCHAEBERLE;
F. SOULÉ.

COMET MEDAL OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE PACIFIC.

I. A medal of bronze is established as a perpetual foundation to be given for the discovery of comets, as follows :

The medal is to bear on the obverse side the effigy of a bright comet among stars, with the legend "ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE PACIFIC" around the border; and on the reverse the inscription, "THIS MEDAL FOUNDED IN 1890 BY JOSEPH A. DONOHUE, IS PRESENTED TO.....(the name of the discoverer) TO COMMEMORATE THE DISCOVERY OF A COMET ON.....(the date)."

It is to be understood that this medal is intended solely as a recognition of merit, and not as a reward.

II. The medal will be given to the actual discoverer of any unexpected comet.

III. The discoverer is to make his discovery known in the usual way, and, in order to simplify the work of the committee, which, in certain cases may be called upon to consider the merits of several independent discoveries of the same object, he should also address a letter to the Director of the Lick Observatory, which should state the exact time of the discovery, the position of the comet, the direction of its motion (when this can be determined), and the physical appearance of the object.

No application for the bestowal of the medal is required. The letters received from discoverers of comets will be preserved in the records of the Lick Observatory. Cable telegrams to the Lick Observatory are to be addressed to "Astronomer, San Francisco."

IV. All communications will be referred to a committee consisting of the Director of the Lick Observatory, ex-officio, and of two other persons, members of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific, who are to be annually appointed by the Board of Directors. The decisions of this committee are to be final upon all points relating to the award of the medal. The committee will print an annual statement of its operations in the publications of the Society.

Under ordinary circumstances the comet medal will be awarded within two months after the date of the discovery. In cases of doubt a longer period may elapse. The medal will not be awarded (unless under the most exceptional circumstances) for the discovery of a comet until enough observations are secured (by the discoverer or by others) to permit the calculation and verification of its orbit.

V. This medal is to be a perpetual foundation from and after January 1, 1890.

It was reported by Mr. HOLDEN that he had turned over to Mr. BURCKHALTER on March 24, the bond of the Treasurer, the receipt (No. 2796) of the French Mint for the dies of the Comet-medal, and bank-books Nos. 50,715, 51,529 (S. F. S. U.) and 64,347 (G. S. & L. S.) as well as all the remaining blank diplomas and the original drawing of the diploma.

The Notices to Members as printed on the last page of the present number of the Publications were authorized. Adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS A. S. P., HELD IN
THE ROOMS OF THE SOCIETY, MARCH 28, 1891,
FROM 9:30 TO 10:30 P. M.

The new board of Directors was called to order by Mr. HOLDEN. A quorum was present. The minutes of the last meeting were approved. The business in hand being the election of officers for the ensuing year, Mr. PIERSON was duly elected President of the Society and took the chair.